

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

Claims 1-10 (Cancelled)

20. (Original) A strap for restraining freight, comprising:
- a. a first layer comprising a first end and a second end; and
 - b. a patch comprising a third end and a fourth end, wherein the third end is pre-attached to the strap at a contact section near the first end prior to installation around the freight.
21. (Original) The strap of claim 20, wherein the first layer is a nonwoven fabric.
22. (Original) The strap of claim 21, wherein the nonwoven fabric is a spunbonded, polyester, nonwoven fabric.
23. (Original) The strap of claim 20, further comprising a second layer comprising a plurality of strands of yarn forming a strap for restraining freight, wherein the yarn has an elongation characteristic ranging from about 2.5 percent to about 4.7 percent before breaking and a creep of less than about 2 percent after elongation.
24. (Original) The strap of claim 20, further comprising a third layer defining a releasable adhesive located on at least a portion of an outer surface of the strap for attachment to a surface of a transportation device.
25. (Original) The strap of claim 20, further comprising an adhesive layer located on at least a portion of the patch for attachment to the second end of the strap.

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26. (Original) The strap of claim 25, wherein the adhesive is non-releasable.

27. (Original) The strap of claim 20, wherein the patch is attached to the strap using an adhesive, stitching or thermal bonding.

28. (Original) The strap of claim 20, wherein the patch is a continuous portion of the first layer and formed during the process of manufacturing the first layer.

29. (Original) The strap of claim 20, further comprising at least one reinforcement strap coupled to the strap and positioned generally parallel to a longitudinal axis of the strap.

Claims 30-40 (Cancelled).